# **Main Street New Jersey**

Office of Smart Growth
New Jersey Department of Community Affairs



#### **Arts Smart Investment:**

Economic Prosperity through the Arts

New Jersey League of Municipalities

Atlantic City Convention Center

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## **The Commercial**

## DCA's/OSG's MSNJ Program

- = NOT a grant program (i.e., no \$)
- = Significant technical assistance, training and consulting resources for the life of a designated local Main Street program.
- Ad hoc assistance and training for 'Core' Revitalization, Management, Planning and Improvement District issues.
- = Application Round every two years (2007)

## The Commercial

# MSNJ programs since 1990

- = 26 current programs (25 municipalities)
- = \$779,206,387 in reinvestment
- = **1370+** *net* new/expanded businesses
- = **6381+** new jobs
- = 1948+ Building Rehabs
- = 1583+ Façades (incl. awning/signage)
- = \$1.9 million+ in volunteer hours (2006)
- = Smart (Economic) Growth in Action

# **Getting Involved:**

## **How to Plug in (Free/Cheap)**

- 1) <u>Downtown Revitalization & Mgmt. Institute</u> relevant and implementable training for public/private stakeholders (next: 1/30-31/08)
- 2) Public Presentations Educate/Energize your community about its Downtown/Core
- 3) Phone calls/Emails Ad Hoc Help
- 4) National Main Street Center Become a Member
- 5) Improvement District Challenge Grant/Loan Pool
  - Matching \$ to help create Imp. Districts/ fund projects

# **Getting Involved:**

# **How to Plug in (Not So Free)**

MSNJ Designation – Intensive 4-? Year program of services in areas of Design, Local Economics, Promotion and Capacity-Building/Management.

- A. Minimum 4-year <u>municipal</u> <u>commitment/match</u> to locally-derived (private) funding sources
- B. Traditional: F/T paid staffing
- C. Partner: P/T staffing
- D. Volunteer-Led/Driven

# **Loosely Translated:**

ASSET-BASED CHANGE
But the economic <u>reality</u> is:
not *everybody* can be the
Center of Cool
(=Arts/Culture/History)

# **But We Want to Be The Center of Cool!**

# **Inventory your assets/values:**

- 1) Economic is our mix & market cool?
- 2) Physical are we built for cool?
- 3) Social do we have cool things to do?
- 4) Civic public/private support for cool?

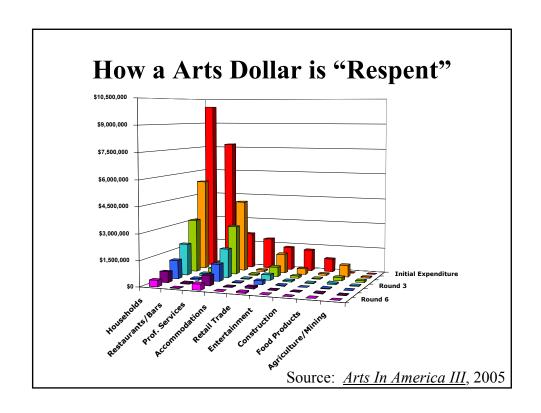
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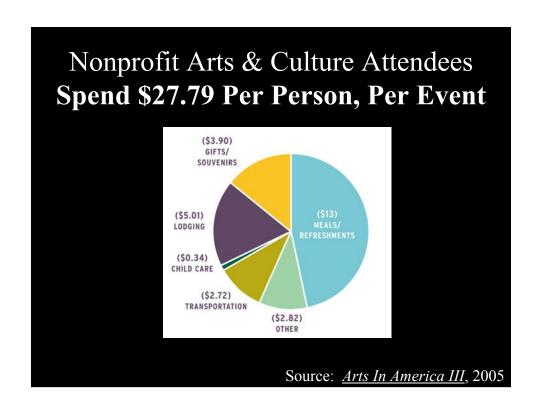
## **Communicate Your Assets:**

- 1) Consistent Messaging Private/Public
- 2) Multiple Media Sights/Sounds/E-ways!
- 3) Good Information The Key

So what makes good information...?

#### **An Information Tool:** 2007 Statewide Reinvestment/Monthly Reports Summary 6/22/2007 Volunteer Hours Investment Breakdown Main Street Organization # of Business Closed # of Jobs Lost (FTE) 190 ER 626 Promotion 0 ER 900 Promotion 0 Organization 0 Organization 0 Design o Promotion o Other 0 Promotion 0 Other Private Investment in Other/Public Improvement 25,000.00 90 Subtotal 0 Subtotal 53,620.00 1681 TOTAL 1150 TOTAL 2831 GRAND TOTAL Promotional Events/Activities This Year TOTAL Private Reinvestment TOTAL District Physical Reinvestment 1,213,999.00 1,412,999.00 t Business Created/Expanded Gain Total Investment (public∔private) Volunteer Hours in Waces atio of Private to Public Investment in Facade Renovation to of Private to Public Investment in Bldg. Improvement to of Private to Public Investment in Public Improvemen 3.8 to 1 10.7 to 1 1 to 5.0





# **Event-Related Spending Local vs. Nonlocal Audiences**



Source: Arts In America III, 2005

# Economic Impact of Nonprofit Arts & Culture Industry: \$166.2 Billion Annual Expenditures

Full-Time Equivalent Jobs	5.7 million
Resident Household Income	\$ 104.2 billion
Local Government Revenue	\$ 7.9 billion
State Government Revenue	\$ 9.1 billion
Federal Income Tax Revenue	\$ 12.6 billion

Source: Arts In America III, 2005

# **Back of the Napkin**

http://www.artsusa.org/ information\_resources/ research\_information/services/ economic\_impact/005.asp#calculator

